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SUBJECT: US-GON CIVAIR TALKS -- PAN AM'S

BERLIN CONNECTION

ACTION REQUESTED: COORDINATE WITH PAN AM REPRESENTATIVE
IN WASHINGTON ON AIRLINE'S REPLY TO FRG REQUEST NOT
TO TERMINATE AMSTERDAM-BERLIN SERVICE.

1. PAN AM REPRESENTATIVE IN NETHERLANDS, HARDY DILLARD,
INFORMED EMBASSY NOV 4 THAT FRG IS PUTTING PRESSURE
ON PAN AM NOT TO CANCEL ITS AMSTERDAM-BERLIN SERVICE.

2. DILLARD WANTED TO KNOW WHAT US AND DUTCH DELEGATIONS
HAD AGREED REGARDING PAN AM SERVICES DURING BILATERAL
CIVAIR TALKS OCT 21-25. EMBOFF READ HIM PERTINENT
SECTION OF JOINT PRESS COMMUNIQUE. (QTE DURING THE
NEGOTIATIONS PAN AM ANNOUNCED THAT BECAUSE OF
ECONOMIC AND TRAFFIC CONDITIONS IT WILL REDUCE ITS
CAPACITY BY SUSPENDING ITS DAILY BOSTON-AMSTERDAM-
BERLIN SERVICE, EFFECTIVE DEC 1, 1974. UNQTE).

3. EMBOFF TOLD DILLARD THAT GOING BACK ON ANNOUNCED
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DECISION TO TERMINATE FLIGHT NOT ONLY WOULD BE

AWKWARD IN CONTEXT OF NEGOTIATIONS WHICH RESUME IN WASHINGTON WEEK OF NOV 11, BUT ALSO COULD BE SEEN BY DUTCH AS EVIDENCE OF BAD FAITH ON PART OF US NEGOTIATORS. HE URGED DILLARD TO SO INFORM COMPANY HEADQUARTERS AND TO ASK THAT PAN AM CONFER WITH SATE AND CAB. DILLARD SAID HE WOULD CALL VICE PRESIDENT PREECE IN WASHINGTON AND SUGGEST THAT PAN AM TURN DOWN FRG REQUEST BECAUSE OF US-GON AGREEMENT.

4. ALTHOUGH FRG IS CONCERNED ONLY WITH AMSTERDAM-BERLIN FLIGHT 64/65, COMMUNIQUE MAKES NO DISTICTION BETWEEN IT AND DETROIT-BOSTON-LONDON-AMSTERDAM FLIGHT 54/55 WITH WHICH IT CONNECTS. (SINCE PAN AM'S DETROIT TO BERLIN SERVICE CHANGES GAUGE IN LONDON AND FLIGHT NUMBER IN AMSTERDAM, THERE WAS CONFUSION DURING PREPARATION OF COMMUNIQUE WHETHER ONE OR TWO FLIGHTS WERE INVOLVED. THIS WAS SETTLED FOR PURPOSES OF ANNOUNCEMENT BY REFERRING TO QTE BOSTON-AMSTERDAM-BERLIN SERVICE. UNQTE).
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